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UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**IN RE APPLICATION OF:** Tebbe  
**CASE:** 011105  
**SERIAL NO.:** 09/856403  
**FILED ON:** May 22, 2001  
**FOR:** Dressing

STATEMENT OF BASIS  
FOR RELEVANCE OF  
FOREIGN LANGUAGE  
DOCUMENTS IDENTIFIED  
IN SUBMITTED PTO-1449

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**Publication Number**

DE 4446380

**Publication Date**

Jan. 11, 1996

**Basis for Relevance**

The patent discloses a hydrogel for applying therapeutic and/or cosmetic agents to the skin. The hydrogel is a rigid-elastic sheet like structure that can conform to the contours of the human body.

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June 1, 1994

The patent discloses a wound plaster, having a supporting portion self-adhesive on one side. The adhesive accomodates a dressing with a tear-off strip on one side, and a colored side, having colors such as brown, red, white, and so on.

DE 8902311

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The patent discloses a therapeutic plaster for application to wounds. The plaster comprises a bas foil, portions of which carry adhesive layers. A wound contacting layer is provided with openings or depressions adapted to receive a treatment ointment.

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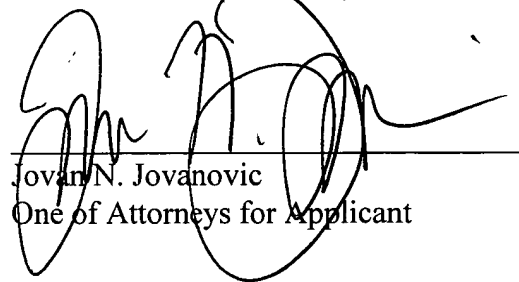
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The patent discloses a medical plaster for the application of local ointment, cream or powder to certain parts of the human body. The plaster consists of an application layer and carrier layer. The application layer has a shallow cup shaped recess in which the ointment, cream or powder can be distributed at the exact prescribed rate and which consists of a thermolabile material such as gelatin, peptin or carboxymethyl cellulose. The carrier layer is preferably made from a material which is impermeable to oxygen or has a defined permeability to oxygen and water vapor.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned, at (312) 226-1818, is respectfully invited.

Respectfully submitted,

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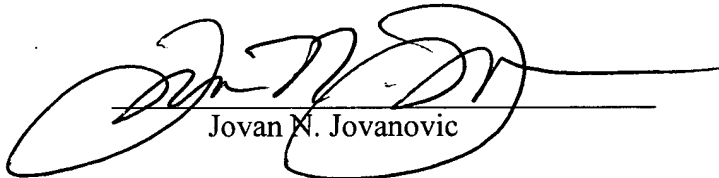
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